



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 6694**  
Tetsuo MURAJI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_1274a  
Serial No. 10/588,483 : Group Art Unit No. 3748  
Filed August 4, 2006 : Examiner Zelalem Eshete  
**VARIABLE VALVE OPERATING**  
**DEVICE FOR ENGINE** : **Mail Stop Amendment**

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED  
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE  
FEES FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated January 16, 2008, the period for response having been extended for one month by the attached petition, the Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.